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In re Application of:
UTERMOHLEN, Joseph, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: Tung, Joyce

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For: Hybridization Buffers Using Low Molecular Weight Dextran Sulfate and
Methods for Their Use

Response to Office Action under 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Examiner Tung:

This submission responds to the Office Action dated 5/17/2006. The submission includes an amendment and a petition for a one-month extension of time for response, and the fee therefor may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0861. If additional fees are required for this paper to be considered timely, then provisional petition therefore is made herein, and any incremental fee may similarly be charged to the same account.

Please amend the Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this Amendment.